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May 27, 1998

RE: CALFED Bay-Delta Draft Programmatic EIS/EIR

CALFED BAY-DELTA PROGRAM 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1155 Sacramento, California 95814

To Whom It May Concern:

The San Joaquin County Mosquito & Vector Control District (District) has reviewed the Draft Programmatic EIS/EIR for the proposed CALFED project. Following are the Districts preliminary comments and concerns regarding the proposed project:

- The project proposes to develop wildlife habitat, including up to 180,000 additional acres of wetlands in the Delta. Mosquito development is an integral component of most types of wetlands. The project proposal does not adequately describe how increased mosquito populations will be managed, or by who.
- Of great importance and which needs comprehensive evaluation is how increased wetland development and mosquito populations will affect human health.
- The plan does not adequately address the financial impacts to the District in dealing with increased mosquito breeding habitat. In the event that some or all of these sites are procured by public agencies, there would be additional financial impact due to loss of property tax revenue.

The District is available to work with the project's proponents to develop reasonable mitigation measures for these issues, as well as others that will be identified during the review process.

Sincerely,

John R. Stroh

Manager

cc: San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors

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